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Re:

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Inventors:

SCOTT et al.

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- Reply to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.121; and 1.
- 2. One (1) return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are

hereby petitioned. The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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Mail Stop Amendment

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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated June 13, 2006, and the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, dated January 4, 2007, Applicants submit the following Amendment and Remarks.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.